

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/807,367

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Charles I. Boyer

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to applicants' amendmtn and response received May 9, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,5,6,8-44,47-54,56-70,73-93,95 and 96.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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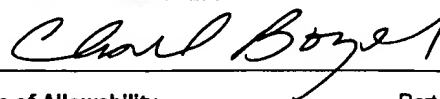
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

CHARLES BOYER
PRIMARY EXAMINER



EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mark Charles on June 13, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

In line 2 of claim 1, delete "0.1% to about 2%" and insert --0.001% to about 20%--

In line 14 of claim 1, delete "optionally"

In line 21 of claim 1, before "an effective amount" insert --optionally--

In line 3 of claim 16, delete "□-and/or □-linkages" and insert --α-linkages and/or β-linkages--therefor

In line 2 of claim 35, delete "perfume"

In line 3 of claim 43, delete "perfume"

In line 2 of claim 44, delete "0.1% to about 2%" and insert --0.001% to about 20%--

In line 7 of claim 44, after "perfume" delete "and an effective amount, to kill or reduce the growth of microbes, of antimicrobial active" and insert --and an effective amount of adjunct wrinkle control agent selected from the group consisting of fiber lubricant, adjunct fabric shape retention polymer, lithium salts, and mixtures thereof,--

In line 2 of claim 51, delete "perfume"

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In line 3 of claim 64, after "thereto" insert --, an effective amount of adjunct wrinkle control agent selected from the group consisting of fiber lubricant, adjunct fabric shape retention polymer, lithium salts, and mixtures thereof,--

In line 6 of claim 70, delete "0.1% to about 2%" and insert --0.001% to about 20%--

In line 9 of claim 70, delete "an antimicrobial active and/or antibacterial preservative" and insert -- an effective amount of adjunct wrinkle control agent selected from the group consisting of fiber lubricant, adjunct fabric shape retention polymer, lithium salts, and mixtures thereof

In line 11 of claim 70, after "surfactant" insert -- an antimicrobial active and/or antibacterial preservative—

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicants have claimed a fabric care composition comprising a specific fabric care polysaccharide, a wrinkle control agent, and a perfume. This specific combination of fabric care agents is not taught by the prior art. Accordingly, the present claims are allowable.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably


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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles I. Boyer whose telephone number is 571 272 1311. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yogendra Gupta can be reached on 571 272 1316. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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